

Preparing Your ECS for NEPA Approval

September 22, 2005 (#966)	WSDOT Olympic Region Materials Lab, 1655 S. 2nd Ave., Tumwater, WA 98512 (360) 709-5400
October 4, 2005 (#967)	WSDOT Eastern Region Hdq., 2714 N. Mayfair Street, Spokane, WA 99207 (509) 324-6000
October 5, 2005 (#968)	WSDOT South Central Region Maintenance Facility, 900 E. Selah Rd., Yakima, WA 98901 (509) 575-2592
October 19, 2005 (#969)	WSDOT Southwest Region Hdq., 11018 NE 51st Circle, Vancouver, WA 98682 (360) 905-2000
November 1, 2005 (#970)	WSDOT Northwest Region Hdq., 15700 Dayton Ave. N., Shoreline, WA 98133 (206) 440-4000

(The phone numbers shown above can be used in case of emergency to contact a student in the class.)

Cost: Free

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Class Size: Varies according to location

Instructors: John Heinley, Environmental Engineer, WSDOT H&LP
Trevin Taylor, Environmental Engineer, WSDOT H&LP
Brian Hasselbach, Environmental Policy Branch Manager, WSDOT H&LP

Target Audience

Local Agency staff and consultants who are responsible for environmental procedures and documentation of federally funded projects.

Course Description

This course will give a basic understanding of the **National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)** and other environmental procedures. The course will predominantly focus on a step-by-step explanation of the **Environmental Classification Summary (ECS)** – the process and documentation requirements associated with each environmental consideration; the triggers for analysis; and, most importantly, the appropriate responses and level of documentation needed to obtain FHWA's approval. The course will also provide updates to any process, regulatory, and guidance changes that have occurred in the past year. This course was previously titled "Environmental Overview." The title was changed to better describe the true intent of the course. This course is based on the Local Agency Guidelines (LAG) Manual Chapter 24.

Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course attendees will be able to determine the appropriate NEPA classification for a project; complete an Environmental Classification Summary following the correct environmental procedures; and document environmental commitments and conditions in order to facilitate project review and approval.



Questions?

Course content: John Heinley, HeinleJ@wsdot.wa.gov, (360) 705-7376. All other questions contact Laurel Gray, GrayL@wsdot.wa.gov, (360) 705-7355.

Registration

Please register on-line using this link [On-line Registration Form](#). Fill in your information, select a class from the drop-down list, then press "Submit." You will receive a registration notice with driving directions to the training site when we process your request. **If you do not receive this e-mail notice within a couple days, you may not be registered and should contact us.**

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